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Dear Bill:

The attached letter from Senator McGovern and my enclosed interim reply to it are self-explanatory. Item #6 should, I suppose, be divided up between us. We will be happy to answer the second half of that question, beginning with "effect of CIA spectre" if you can handle the first part.

Sincerely yours,

James G. Lowenstein  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for European Affairs

Enclosures:

As stated.

DOS review(s) completed.



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Honorable George McGovern  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator McGovern:

I hope that John Ritch has told you by now that your letter of September 26 apparently went astray in the mail and did not reach me until a few days ago. Hence, the somewhat tardy reply.

The questions you asked in that letter cover such a broad range of issues that it will take us a little time to put together a comprehensive response but we will begin to send material to John Ritch immediately.

Two issues you raised (Portugal's military significance and [redacted]) should properly be addressed by Defense and CIA. I have taken the liberty of sending them copies of your letter with a request that they reply to you directly.

In preparing our response to you, I have asked Bill Kelly of the Portuguese desk to keep in touch with John Ritch so that our answers will be as responsive as possible to your needs. Please let me know if there is anything further we can do.

Sincerely yours,

James G. Lowenstein  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for European Affairs

Enclosure:

Correspondence returned.

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September 26, 1975

Mr. James G. Lowenstein  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
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Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Lowenstein:

I appreciate your offer in Paris to assist us in assembling information about Portugal once we returned. Below is a list of areas in which I would like to see the Department's analysis. Because some of these areas are sensitive, feel free to employ any classification necessary or, for that matter, any degree of informality in transmission which you believe most appropriate. What I am interested in is a maximum of information, rather than refined and quotable Department positions.

1. The West European Response -- a country-by-country analysis of governmental policy toward Portugal, including policy on aid; activities and attitudes of individual political parties (e.g., Socialist aid to Soares, the recent Carvalho visit to Sweden, and so on); the way in which Portugal has affected West European domestic politics (e.g., the national debate and effect on the left coalition in France).
2. The Soviet and Eastern European Response -- an analysis of public statements; internal ideological and policy debate; financial and other support to Portuguese communists; past and present relationship to Cunhal; the ambivalence of Soviet goals (detente vs. communist success); etc.
3. The Portuguese Economy -- an analysis of economic events since April 1974 (the status of agricultural reform in the south, union take-overs, the syndicalist idea vs. national planning, multinational pull-outs or stay-ins,

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nationalizations, etc.); the overall approach envisioned for U.S. and European aid (what economic policies will be counseled by the technical advisors we supply, what types of projects will be funded, how will outside aid be coordinated); etc.

4. The Military Significance -- an analysis of the military significance of Portugal, including IBERLANT and the Azores (how important to NATO and the Middle East, etc.); the problem of security and how it has been dealt with in Brussels and elsewhere; etc.

5. Azores Independence -- events in the Azores; the public and private U.S. positions; discussions which have taken place with Europeans (e.g., attitudes of the French, British); activities of American pro-independence organizations; etc.

6.

Though this is a fairly comprehensive list, I should thank that almost everything indicated is already on paper or else on the tip of someone's pen. I would hope, therefore, that this information could be provided fairly quickly. Indeed, I would emphasize speed and informality. John Ritch of the Committee staff can handle any questions.

It was good to see you in Paris. You may have noticed that we acceded to the Department's position on scheduling. My thanks for your help.

Sincerely,



George McGovern

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